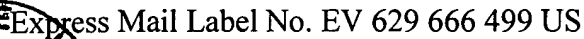


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- Transmittal Letter for Amendment “A” and Response (3 pages) (in duplicate)
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Filed: July 7, 2003

For: CHARACTERISTIC ADJUSTMENT METHOD
OF MULTISTAGE MACH-ZEHNDER
INTERFEROMETER TYPE OPTICAL CIRCUIT

Examiner: Sung H. Pak

TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "A"
AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "A" and Response for entry in the above-identified application.

— Small entity status of this application is claimed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27.

— To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:

— Letter to the Official Draftsperson;



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___ Set of _____ (___) sheets of drawings containing Figures _____ including the proposed amendments therein; and

___ A duplicate set of the _____ (___) sheets of drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.

___ To render the transmitted Amendment “___” and Response timely filed enclosed is a Petition for a ___-Month Extension of Time.

X A Certificate of Express Mail Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10.

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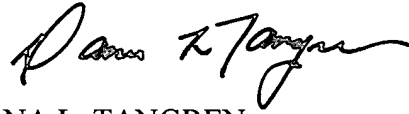
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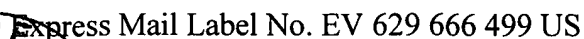
X A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Dated this 25 day of April 2005.

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Sir:

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of February 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.